FIRE DRIVER

(Promotional Class)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

This is skilled fire fighting work in the driving of fire trucks and operating pumps at the scene of fires. Considerable responsibility is involved in the proper operation of the fire apparatus and pumps, and also included are physical exertion and hazards in the other duties of fire fighting. No direct supervision of others is involved and directions are received from the Fire Chief and his assistants. This class ranks immediately below that of Fire Captain.

EXAMPLES OF WORK:

(Note: These examples listed below indicate only the general type of work performed in these positions and are NOT INTENDED TO RESTRICT DUTIES TO THOSE LISTED.)

Drives some type of fire apparatus to and from fires, as directed by the Fire Chief or his assistants.

Operates fire pumps at the scene of fire.

Lays out and connects hose lines, sets up ladders, gives first aid, and performs any necessary fire fighting or life saving duties when not engaged in pumping operations.

Performs custodial and minor maintenance work at the fire station.

Cleans and polishes fire apparatus and other equipment, dries hoses and reloads machines, and refills fire extinguishers and booster tanks.

Substitutes and assumes the duties of other employees when necessary.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Thorough knowledge of and ability to effectively operate a fire truck.

Considerable knowledge of all fire department apparatus, tools and equipment.

Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of fire fighting and life saving work.

Considerable knowledge of the physical geography of the city, including principal streets and buildings, and the location of major fire hazards, fire hydrants, and alarm boxes.

Skill in the operation of large automotive vehicles or apparatus under emergency conditions.

Ability to effectively perform all the hazardous duties under all conditions of fire fighting.

Ability and willingness to cooperate with others and to seek advancement.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Must be a regular and permanent employee of the next lower class.

Must successfully pass a medical examination showing good health sufficient, in the opinion of the Board, to indicate the physical ability to satisfactorily perform the required work before appointment from employment list.